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In re Patent Application of:
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For: STEERING APPARATUS AND
MANUFACTURING METHOD OF SAME

Examiner: T. C. Diaz

RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Non-Final Office Action dated February 4, 2009, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.